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Man of Steel... REBORN!

"From Out the Green Dawn" comes the launch of the most significant mini-series in the history of comics. As ***Action Comics #1*** *reshaped the medium in 1938, so* ***The Man of Steel #1*** *will change comics in 1986.*

Forget everything you know about Superman's past. This is the beginning of how it really happened and how it really looked—and the beginning of how it will happen in the three sensational new Superman titles that debut this fall. At long last, John Byrne takes on ***The Man of Steel,*** and nothing will ever be the same.

The Man of Steel ships twice a month with story and pencils by Byrne and inks by Dick Giordano. Each of the six issues reveals vital new facts about Superman, his allies and his enemies, his family and his homeworld of Krypton, the doomed planet.

As a special thank-you to our dedicated fans who support comics shops, DC is running a *special cover* on the first copies of ***The Man of Steel #1*** —and *only* direct sales outlets will receive this *one-of-a-kind edition.* The newsstand version—as well as reorder copies at specialty stores—will carry a completely different cover...both by John Byrne, of course.

There's so much more we want to say about this one: how John is already at work on both ***Superman*** and ***Action Comics*** (which will now feature team-ups of Superman and other DC heroes) for their fall debuts...how Marv Wolfman and Jerry Ordway will be taking over the very special ***Adventures of Superman*** monthly...how a beautifully designed Superman pin will be available at comics shops for $4.95 to help celebrate the occasion...and, most of all, how truly exciting every page of ***The Man of Steel*** is.

But all we have room for is to say this: once again and at last, ***The Man of Steel*** as he should be...*the greatest hero in comics!*

Oct. Listings

July 3rd/July 31st

***Angel Love* #3** *maxi-series*—Angel helps her best friend deal with an unplanned pregnancy. How can they cope? Story, art, and cover by Barbara Slate.

***Fury of Firestorm* #52**—Gerry Conway chronicles the conclusion to the battle with the wrestler turned monster, King Crusher! Art and cover by Joe Brozowski and Steve Mitchell.

***Hex* #14**—Stiletta now has super-powers and it will take more than just a bowie knife for Hex to stop her rampage. The Dogs of War saga continues, by Michael Fleisher, Mark Texeira, and Carlos Garzon.

***Justice League of America* #255**—Writer J.M. DeMatteis joins the creative team of Gerry Conway, Luke McDonnell, and Bill Wray in time for Zatanna's confrontation with Adam and his minions. Can even the JLA save their teammate?

***Roots of the Swamp Thing* #4** *mini-series*—Two more Swamp Thing classics, including his first meeting with The Batman! Entirely written and drawn by Len Wein and Berni Wrightson. Plus: A special all-new commentary by Alan Moore. *Deluxe format.*

***Son of Ambush Bug* #4** *mini-series—Special fight scenes issue!* Ambush Bug comes face-to-face with the unbelievable Interferer! Grab some popcorn and beware of flying fisticuffs. Lunacy by Keith Giffen, Robert Loren Fleming, and Bob Oksner.

***Tales of the Teen Titans* #70**—Kole brings the Titans to Upstate New York in a final confrontation with her parents' deadly experiments. By Marv Wolfman, José Luis Garcia-Lopez, and Romeo Tanghal, with an all-new cover by Steve Bissette and Tanghal. *Reprinted from* ***New Teen Titans* #11.**

The Outsiders* #12**—The Outsiders break out of Bentama's death camp—can their revenge be far behind? Mike W. Barr and Jim Aparo choreograph the action. ***And: A Black Lightning solo feature with art by BL co-creator Trevor VonEeden. *Deluxe format.*

***Vigilante* #34**—Marcia King returns to Adrian's life while the judge is recovering from severe injuries, only to play a part in the rematch with the Health Club Bomber! Writer Paul Kupperberg and artists Tod Smith and Rick Magyar provide the details. *Deluxe format.*

***The Watchmen* #2** *maxi-series*—Rorschach continues his search for clues as we learn more about the Watchmen...and their predecessors. A landmark in the making by Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons. *Deluxe format.*

July 10th/August 7th

Amethyst Special* #1**—The regular series wraps everything up as Amethyst makes the ultimate sacrifice in this extra-length tale by Keith Giffen, Mindy Newell, and Ernie Colón. ***Plus: A surprise short by Len Wein and acclaimed European artist Esteban Maroto!

Batman* #400**—*64 pages!* Rā's al Ghūl has assembled the deadliest foes Batman and Robin have ever faced and the cry for revenge echoes through Gotham. Introduction by Stephen King; cover by Bill Sienkiewicz; chapters by Joe Kubert, Brian Bolland, Arthur Adams and Terry Austin, Rick Leonardi and Karl Kesel, George Pérez, Tom Sutton and John Totleben, Sienkiewicz, Ken Steacy, and others. ***Plus: Pin-ups by Steve Rude, John Byrne, and Berni Wrightson!

***Man of Steel* #1** *mini-series—This is it!* John Byrne and Dick Giordano begin the rebirth of Superman in this landmark *biweekly six-issue mini-series.* Watch the destruction of Krypton and thrill to the football hero of Smallville—Clark Kent! Don't miss out on the start of something *big.*

***Legion of Super-Heroes* #27**—Four revealing vignettes in the very different lives of the Legionnaires, as depicted by Paul Levitz and a legion of guest artists. Cover by Steve Lightle. *Deluxe format.*

***Firestorm Annual* #4**—If Firestorm can't find Venom, his mother will die! A gripping *double-length tale* by Gerry Conway with art by Joe Brozowski, Curt Swan, Dick Giordano, and a host of others. Cover by Denys Cowan.

'Mazing Man* #10**—Maze helps out at a fire with waffles for everyone! By Bob Rozakis, Stephen DeStefano, and Karl Kesel. Rozakis and Bob Smith bring us lunch with K. P. and Brenda. ***Plus: The very fun adventures of Zoot Sputnik by Denton Fixx and Fred Hembeck.

***Blue Beetle* #5**—*The Question* is back and the answer points directly at the Beetle. Len Wein, Paris Cullins, and Bruce Patterson also explore the mystery of the muse.

***Electric Warrior* #6**—Searching for his lost love Kinsolving, Lek 9-03 goes on a rampage throughout the city's upper tiers. Unexpected action from writer Doug Moench and artists Jim Baikie and Pablo Marcos. *Deluxe format.*

Elvira's House of Mystery* #8**—Elvira's latest exploits are recounted by Mike ***(Nexus) Baron, Kerry Gammill, Bjorn Ousland, and a few other special friends.

Guest-Starring THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES!
BOOSTER GOLD
by DAN JURGENS & MIKE DE CARLO
AH'm GOIN' FOR THE PRESIDENT, BOOSTER--
--OVER YOUR DEAD BODY!!

***Secret Origins* #7**—*Double-sized action* continues as Steve Englehart, Ernie Colón, and Rodin Rodriguez explore Green Lantern Guy Gardner's past. Then learn all about the *original* Sandman from Roy Thomas, Michael Bair, and Steve Montano. Guest starring the Crimson Avenger. Cover by Brian Bolland.

***Star Trek* #31**—The Klingons and the Federation both want *"Maggie's World"*—it's up to Kirk to win the planet, and Ambassador Stanton is there to make sure of it. By Tony Isabella, Len Wein, Tom Sutton, and Ricardo Villagran. Cover by Joe Brozowski and Pablo Marcos.

NEW RELEASES

July 17th/August 14th

History of the DC Universe #2 *mini-series*—Marv Wolfman, George Pérez, and Karl Kesel bring us from the 1920s through the 1970s as we relive World War II, the arrival of Superman, and the birth of the Dark Knight! *Deluxe format.*

Adventures of the Outsiders #38—The last *all-new* issue has the team arriving in L.A., but first they must stop the *new* Marine Marauder. By Mike W. Barr and Trevor VonEeden, with a cover by José Luis Garcia-Lopez.

Blue Devil #29—The House of Weirdness has been infested, which spells nothing short of the world's ultimate doom...unless Dan Cassidy can save the day! By Dan Mishkin, Gary Cohn, Alan Kupperberg, and Bill Collins. Paris Cullins and Gary Martin provide the cover.

Super Powers #2 *mini-series*—Tyr's mission to free Darkseid is under way, but he has other plans for the deposed tyrant. By Paul Kupperberg, Carmine Infantino, and Pablo Marcos.

Swamp Thing #53—A *double-sized* tale of mayhem as Swampy returns to Gotham City in search of Abby. It's The Batman once again in a struggle with the indestructible creature. By Alan Moore and John Totleben, with a Steve Bissette cover.

Warlord #110—Led by a beautiful woman, the *"Warriors of Skyra III"* attack Morgan, delaying his quest against time. Michael Fleisher, Ron Randall, and Steve Montano tell the tale. Mike Grell provides the cover.

Booster Gold #9—The conclusion to the *"Time Bridge"* explains lots to both Booster and the Legionnaires Brainiac 5, Ultra Boy, and Chameleon Boy. Join writer/penciller Dan Jurgens and inker Mike DeCarlo for all the fun.

Green Lantern Corps #205—The GL Corps reveal themselves to an astonished Earth. Does the world want another super-team? Black Hand says no! By Steve Englehart, Joe Staton, and Mark Farmer.

Infinity, Inc. #31—The Star-Spangled Kid gains both a new name and a new costume as Jade and Brainwave entertain an unexpected visitor. Jonni Thunder also shows up courtesy of Roy Thomas, Todd McFarlane, and Tony DeZuniga. *Deluxe format.*

Sgt. Rock #412—Rock and Easy Co. team up with the *Haunted Tank's* crew to rescue Mlle Marie from the Nazis. All-out action by Bob Kanigher and Andy Kubert with a cover by Joe Kubert.

Who's Who: The Definitive Directory of the DC Universe #20 *mini-series*—Behind the Paris Cullins cover, learn all about Rubberduck through Shining Knight with art by John Bolton, Wendy Pini, Joe Kubert, Arthur Adams, Jack Kirby and Joe Sinnott, Steve Lightle, and many others.

The New Teen Titans #25—While Nightwing and Raven remain in Brother Blood's clutches, Changeling faces off against his demented stepfather, and the rest of the team is in deadly combat with the villainous Hybrid! By Marv Wolfman, Ed Barreto, and Romeo Tanghal. *Deluxe format.*

July 24th/August 21st

All-Star Squadron #62—Roy Thomas, Mike Harris, and Tony DeZuniga record the valorous career of the Shining Knight, born at Camelot and now a World War II warrior.

DC Challenge #12 *maxi-series*—It took Mark Evanier, Marv Wolfman, Len Wein, Roy Thomas, Gerry Conway, and Dan Mishkin to figure out the *double-sized* ***conclusion*** to this classic-in-the-making, and then it took Dan Spiegle, Denys Cowan, Ross Andru and Romeo Tanghal, Steve Lightle and Gary Martin, Stan Woch, Luke McDonnell, and Tom Mandrake to draw it. ***Plus:*** A cover by Jerry Ordway. *Deluxe format.*

Detective Comics #567—*Harlan Ellison* wrote about a very special night for The Batman, drawn by Gene Colan and Bob Smith. And the conclusion to Green Arrow's deadliest case, by Joey Cavalieri and Stan Woch. Cover by Dick Giordano.

Hawkman #3—Mavis Trent's father blames Hawkman for her death and he spends countless millions to exact a very personal revenge. By Tony Isabella, Richard Howell, and Don Heck.

The Man of Steel #2 *mini-series*—Meet reporter Lois Lane: she's after the story of the century, if she can only find the Metropolis Marvel. The comics story of the decade continues by John Byrne and Dick Giordano.

Legion of Super-Heroes Annual #2—*"Child of Darkness, Child of Light"* is the sequel to "The Curse." Will Validus destroy his parents, fulfilling Darkseid's prophecy? Only Paul Levitz, Curt Swan, Keith Giffen, and Larry Mahlstedt know. Steve Lightle provides the cover to this double-length epic! *Deluxe format.*

Lords of the Ultra-Realm #5 *maxi-series*—While seeking Falkon's blood, Michael Savage's mystery is resolved, with some surprising results. By Doug Moench and Pat Broderick.

Tales of the Legion of Super-Heroes #340—Dr. Regulus holds the newest Legionnaires hostage on a hostile star! It's a baptism of fire provided by Paul Levitz, Greg LaRocque, and Larry Mahlstedt. All-new cover by Steve Lightle. *Reprinted from* ***Legion of Super-Heroes #16.***

Teen Titans Spotlight On #3—*Jericho!* The dark secret of Jericho's romance is revealed in the beginning of this emotionally gripping story by Marv Wolfman and Ross Andru.

Batman 400!

How do you celebrate an anniversary? Maybe you throw a party. Maybe you invite some good friends. Friends like Brian Bolland. George Pérez. John Byrne. Joe Kubert. Berni Wrightson. Art Adams. Terry Austin. Ken Steacy. Doug Moench. Steve Rude.

That would make for some party.

Batman #400 is just such a party—a unique 64-page, no-ads, no-holds-barred thriller starring nearly every major Bat-villain on Earth, produced by the above-named talents (and more!) and topped off with a special Bill Sienkiewicz painted cover...

...And a custom-made introduction by famed thriller novelist Stephen King!

Batman #400. If you thought the last 399 issues were something, wait until you see this one!

INDEED, WITH ALL OF HIS ARCH-FOES FREED AND SO MANY STILL AT LARGE, STILL HAUNTING THE DARK WITH THEIR MANIACAL EVIL--
--IT IS MUCH LIKE STARTING OVER.
AND SO THE NIGHT OF RESURRECTION NEARS ITS END, BUT WHEN NEXT HE STRIDES FORTH FROM THIS DARK WOMB OF BATS...
...IT ALL BEGINS ANEW.
HELLO AGAIN.
BEWARE... FOREVER.

Coming...In October!

Harlan Ellison makes his long-awaited return to comics writing this month in ***Detective Comics #567***...And speaking about detectives, Jonni Thunder turns in a dramatic post-Crisis appearance in ***Infinity, Inc. #31*** ...By popular demand—The Question makes his exciting comeback, teaming the faceless inquisitor with the Midwest's most dynamic super-hero in ***Blue Beetle #5.***

Rorschach searches his own past as the breathtaking tale of ***The Watchmen*** continues to unfold in their second spectacular issue... ***DC Challenge #12*** is a special 38-page wind-up to the original round-robin whodunit comic book, written and drawn by just about everybody on Earth...Jericho reveals his secret romance in ***Teen Titans Spotlight #3***, the first of a soul-shattering three-parter.

Swamp Thing #53 is another double-sized chiller, the second in four issues. But it takes an extra-long comic to tell the tale of the Muck Monster's reteaming with—The Darknight Detective! And you can see the original, classic Wein/Wrightson Swamp Thing/Batman team-up this month in ***Roots of the Swamp Thing #4*** ...***Secret Origins #7*** reveals the stories behind The Sandman and the Green Lantern known as Guy Gardner in still another action-packed double-length issue.

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